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To express support of United States for Taiwan's relations with countries around the world, and for other purposes.

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Mrs. FISCHBACH (for herself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CURTIS, Mr. BACON, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. RYAN, Mr. TIFFANY, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. COSTA, Mr. MANN, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, and Mr. EMMER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the “Promoting Ties with
5 Taiwan Act”.

6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

7 Congress makes the following findings:

8 (1) The Taiwan Relations Act of 1979 (Public
9 Law 96–8) states that it is the policy of the United

1 States “to preserve and promote extensive, close,
2 and friendly commercial, cultural, and other rela-
3 tions between the people of the United States and
4 the people of Taiwan”.

5 (2) The Taiwan Allies International Protection
6 and Enhancement Initiative (TAIPEI) Act of 2019
7 (Public Law 116–135) states that it is the sense of
8 Congress that the United States Government should
9 “consider, in certain cases as appropriate and in
10 alignment with United States interests, increasing
11 its economic, security, and diplomatic engagement
12 with nations that have demonstrably strengthened,
13 enhanced, or upgraded relations with Taiwan”.

14 (3) The Taiwan Allies International Protection
15 and Enhancement Initiative (TAIPEI) Act of 2019
16 (Public Law 116–135) states that Taiwan is a free
17 and democratic nation with full diplomatic ties with
18 only 15 nations and that these diplomatic ties are
19 under pressure from the Government of the People’s
20 Republic of China.

21 (4) Besides its 17 offices in 15 countries, Tai-
22 wan has a presence in 95 locations in 57 countries
23 and regions.

24 (5) The government of the Cooperative Repub-
25 lic of Guyana, under pressure from the Chinese gov-

1 ernment, decided unilaterally to terminate a bilateral
2 agreement with Taiwan on the mutual establishment
3 of offices on February 5, 2021, less than 24 hours
4 after the accord was announced.

5 (6) The government of the Republic of Lithuania
6 has been facing political pressure and economic
7 sanction from the Chinese government, since
8 the announcement on July 20, 2021, that Taiwan
9 will be establishing Taiwanese Representative Office
10 in Vilnius, Lithuania's capital.

11 (7) Separately during a meeting and a phone
12 call with Lithuanian Foreign Minister Gabrielius
13 Landsbergis in September 2021, Secretary of State
14 Antony Blinken and National Security Advisor Jake
15 Sullivan each reaffirmed and reiterated strong
16 United States support for Lithuania as it faces attempted
17 coercion from China.

18 (8) The United States remains committed to
19 promoting the growth of Taiwan's relations with
20 other international partners.

21 **SEC. 3. DIPLOMATIC STRATEGY.**

22 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
23 United States to—

24 (1) work with its allies and partners to support
25 Taiwan to expand its relations, partnership, and en-

1 engagement with countries and partners in the Indo-
2 Pacific region and around the world.

3 (2) promote the establishment of a Taiwanese
4 presence in countries and partners without such a
5 permanent presence by wielding the diplomatic
6 weight and reputation of the United States.

7 (3) strengthen economic relations, trade ties,
8 and supply chain resilience among Taiwan and like-
9 minded partners to effectively counter the threats
10 and malign influences from authoritarian regimes
11 around the world.

12 (b) STRATEGY.—Not later than 180 days after the
13 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State
14 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees
15 a strategy to implement the policies specified in subsection
16 (a).

17 (c) ELEMENTS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The strategy required under
19 subsection (b) shall include the following elements:

20 (A) An evaluation of future staffing and
21 resourcing requirements of the Department of
22 State and other relevant Federal agencies to
23 fully implement the policies specified in sub-
24 section (a).

(B) A strategy to help international partners in the process of, and after, establishing a permanent Taiwanese presence, to counter economic coercion and malign influences from authoritarian regimes that may attempt to intervene in such establishment.

(C) A report to identify potential international partners, among those without a permanent Taiwanese presence, which could be motivated to build ties and relations with Taiwan in accordance with their interests and values.

(D) A detailed description of how the United States Government will leverage diplomatic lines of effort and resources from other stakeholders (including those from foreign governments, international donors, and multilateral institutions) to facilitate stronger relations and dialogue between Taiwan and international partners without a permanent Taiwanese presence.

(E) Recommendations to Congress regarding potential actions at the unilateral, bilateral, or multilateral level which could further implement such policies.

1 (2) FORM.—

2 (A) UNCLASSIFIED MATTERS.—The strat-
3 egy required under subsection (b) and the ele-
4 ments described in subparagraphs (A), (B), and
5 (E) of paragraph (1) shall be submitted in un-
6 classified form.

7 (B) CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—The strategy re-
8 quired under subsection (b) shall also include a
9 classified annex, transmitted separately, that
10 contains the elements described in subpara-
11 graphs (C) and (D) of paragraph (1).

12 (d) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the sub-
13 mission of the strategy required under subsection (b), the
14 Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate Con-
15 gressional committees a report detailing the actions taken
16 to carry out such strategy.

17 (e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
18 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
19 sional committees” means—

20 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
21 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
22 resentatives; and

23 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
24 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

